have in respect of promotion of officers of Sanitary Department, not acted according to the judgement of the Supreme Court in the State of M.P.V. Bani Singh given on 5th April, 90;

(b) whether Government are aware that the Supreme Court had ruled that "If the disciplinary proceedings had not reached the stage of framing of the charge-etc. the consideration for the promotion to a higher selectior grade cannot be withheld merely on the ground of pendency of such disciplinary proceedings";

(c) if so, whether Government will ensure that unjustice to these employees if rectified; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

German's Consulate Generals remarks against India

1423. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have now received comprehensive report from the Government of Germany about the reported statement of an officer of its consulate general in Pune on 27th August, 1991 attacking Government of India on some policy matters as reported in 'Hindustan Times' of 28th August, 1991;

(b) whether the said Dy. Consul General is still continuing in India; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes Sir.

The German Government has clarified that the remarks made by the Deputy Consul General were unfortunate and do not reflect the position of the German Government, which is fully aware of the peaceful objective of India's foreign policy both in relationship with her neighbours and international relations in general.

(b) and (c) Yes Sir.

Losses in DTC

1424. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DTC is making huge loss and dept. has made inquiry into the reasons of loss; if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that the loss occurs due to big scale replacement and mismanagement of spares;

(c) what is the number of private buses being placed on the roads of Delhi; and

(d) what are the norms for private operators; and whether they are going to abide by capacity and maintenance regulations etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir. The reasons for losses are:—

(i) Un-remunerative fare structure of DTC.

(ii) Rising cost of labour and material inputs.